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Arizona Early Childhood Development & Health Board Phoenix North Regional Partnership Council

Meeting Minutes – November 4, 2014

Welcome, Introductions, and Call to Order

Chair Quenneville welcomed everyone and called the **Phoenix North Regional Partnership Council Regular Meeting** to order at approximately **1:04 p.m.** The meeting was held at **John C Lincoln, Cowden Center, Conference Room 1AB, 9202 North 2nd Street, Phoenix, AZ 85020**. Introductions were held.

Members PRESENT

Cindy Quenneville, Chair
Toby Urvater, Vice Chair
Wendy Resnik
Christina Spicer
Ana Stiggson
Billy Thrall
Chris Tompkins
Kathryn Wauters
Jenny Tetreault

Members ABSENT

Dr. Lyn Bailey
Connie Robinson

Call to Public

Carol McNally, Senior Program Manager with Southwest Human Development updated the Council on Nurse Family Partnership Program services. She distributed information.

Kimberly Richards, Coordinator with First Teeth First updated the Council on the services provided and encouraged the Council to continue their support in FY16.

Antoinette Martinez with Maricopa County Department of Public Health updated the Council on Findhelpphx.org and thanked the Council for their support and encouraged the Council to continue their support in FY16.

Christina Lagunas with Crisis Nursery shared success stories from the Family Support Coordination program and the thanked the Council for their support.

Erin Raden with Arizona Child Care Association addressed the impact of Quality First Scholarships in the region.

Approval of Meeting Minutes

Chair Quenneville called for a motion to approve the **October 14, 2014 Regular Meeting Minutes** as presented.

Motion: Vice Chair Urvater moved to approve the meeting minutes as presented. Member Spicer seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

FY16-18 Strategic Planning

Chair Quenneville reminded Council Members in order to comply with Open Meeting Law and Conflict of Interest statutes that they are encouraged to participate in discussions related to regional strategies and funding plans being considered as long as the discussions remain general. Once discussions reach a point where they become specific as to decisions being made, funding amounts being determined, or potential scopes of work connected to the RFGA process, Council Members must declare any conflicts they might have and no longer participate in the discussion. Conflict of Interests declared:

Vice Chair Toby Urvater

- Oral Health Strategy
- Prenatal Outreach
- Service Coordination
- Child Care Health Consultation

Member Kathryn Wauters

- Quality First Center and Home Enrollment
- Quality First Scholarships
- Mental Health Consultation

Wendy Resnik

- Parent Outreach and Awareness

Ana Stigsson

- Community Based Professional Development – Early Care and Education Professionals
- FTF Professional Rewards

Review of Regional Council Priorities

Chair Quenneville reminded the Council that at the October 14th meeting, the Council directed FTF staff to offer recommendations as to which funded strategies will best address the priority needs. Director Yearwood reviewed the priority recommendations and justifications, which included regional needs within the three goal areas; Early Learning, Health, and Family Support.

Consideration of Strategies

Director Yearwood presented the proposal for Council consideration and explained how FTF staff arrived at the recommendations. She explained that she will be explaining the recommendations and will provide the possible next steps in the strategic planning process. She referred the Council to the Strategy Universe document (“strategy menu”) which includes all the strategies funded in FY15. This document highlights strategies that will be recommended for FY16. She further explained the criteria she used to make strategy recommendations:

- 1) Does the effectiveness of strategy, as demonstrated by strategy being, evidence based or evidence informed?
- 2) Is it most responsive to the priorities?
- 3) Does it positively impact school readiness indicators?
- 4) Does it have previous strategy implementation success in the Central and/or North region?

She also reviewed the strategies being considered and how they target, support, and align with the priorities.

She referred the Council to the Phoenix North FY16 Funding Plan Summary Worksheet which includes proposed recommended funding allotments and targeted service units for each strategy. She explained that the FY16 Funding allocation has been decreased by approximately 34% as compared to FY15.

Director Yearwood began with the proposed Quality First Scholarship funding considerations. Chair Quenneville asked for feedback and reaction from the Council. The Council agreed on the proposed recommendation to fund the base model for 3-5 Star Quality First programs as a placeholder in order to begin discussions on the remaining strategies. Director Yearwood continued reviewing the proposed funding allotments and targeted service units for the remaining strategies.

The Council has a consensus concern in regards to the funding for the Statewide Evaluation strategy in the amount of \$781,442 and only 26% being spent in FY15 and too much funding remain unused which is not being carried over to FY16 funds. Senior Director Jennifer Johnson explained how the allotment was derived.

Next Steps

The Council held discussions and requested further discussion on the following strategies:

- Quality First Center and Home Enrollment
- Quality First Scholarships
- Care Coordination/Medical Home
- Developmental and Sensory Screening
- Family Resource Centers
- Home Visitation

- Parent Education Community Based Training
- Parent Outreach and Awareness
- Community Awareness
- Community Outreach
- Media

Director Yearwood stated that she will prepare a revised proposal based on the results of the Council discussion for their consideration at the next Council meeting.

Regional Director's Update

FTF Program Committee October 23rd Meeting – Director Yearwood shared highlights of the FTF Program Committee meeting.

She informed the Council of the restructure of the FTF Advisory Committees. The new established Policy and Program Advisory Committees are:

- Quality First Advisory Committee
- School Readiness Indicator on Early Identification Committee
- Statewide Ad-Hoc targeted committees as necessary

The Program Committee also received a Summary Report of the Research and Evaluation National Panel Advisory Board meeting held in June 2014. Director Yearwood will forward additional background and information on the FTF Evaluation Plan to the Council.

Director Yearwood shared information regarding a Family Resource Center site visit slated for Friday, November 21st at Washington Resource Information Center. She extended the invitation to Council Members and asked that they contact Community Outreach Coordinator Susana Ibarra if they wish to attend.

Council Member Announcements

FTF Public-Private Partnership Focus Group – Chair Quenneville and Member Tompkins attended the Focus Group meeting and provided a brief overview of the discussions held. The group is working on a 5 goal plan on developing public-private partnership opportunities. The next meeting of this group is slated for December 14th.

Next Meeting

Chair Quenneville reminded the Council that the next Council meeting is on Thursday, November 20, 2014, at 9:00 a.m. The meeting will be held at the Cowden Center in the gym.

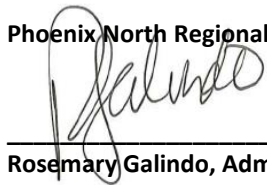
Adjournment

There being no further business, Chair Quenneville adjourned the meeting at approximate 3:55 p.m.

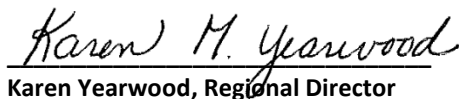
Respectfully submitted on this 17th day of November, 2014

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Rosemary Galindo, Administrative Assistant



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